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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Task No. 1: The Intelligence Process

STATINTL 1. On 21 June, in a meeting with the DTR on a variety of subjects, I brought up the work of the OTR task force which was established to study the intelligence process and government decision-making, to describe what OTR now does with these subjects in its curriculum and to develop recommendations in line with the Director's guidance of 18 April. The basis for my raising the subject was a reading of the draft paper prepared by [redacted] I expressed the view that the problem of studying the intelligence process requires an in-depth effort instead of a quick resume of the conventional wisdom which we all currently share. I opined that Mr. Schlesinger probably envisioned an in-depth effort and that this could not be accomplished within the period of the 29 June deadline given the task force. I pointed out to the DTR that, on the other hand, the task force should be able to complete an inventory of how OTR now treats the subject in its curriculum.

STATINTL 2. Mr. Rodriguez agreed that the deadline on the study of the process itself could be slipped in favor of an in-depth study which should be gotten underway, but that he will expect a report on what OTR now presents on the intelligence process and government decision-making. We also discussed the relationship of this study to consultations with outside experts, such as [redacted], who might be invited to meet with OTR faculty on various aspects of intelligence and our consumers. The Director of Training indicated that we should also proceed with such further consultations.

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